

I would like to enter my strongest objections against the Broadcast Flag Mandate. I believe this and other legislation (some already enacted and some under consideration) is nothing more than an attempt to strip the citizens of the United States of their fair use rights. I believe this mandate would actually decrease the commercial availability of broadcast media in the long run because of the future creation of new works would have to be done by a more limited audience of those who had the ability to pay for access to the original works. Additionally, it would force me the consumer to purchase 'crippled' hardware and or software in order to play the protected broadcast media. I fail to see how the consumer 'wins' in any aspect of this mandate. Deny this mandate.